

FISCAL NOTE

SB 2463 – HB 3573

March 24, 2006

SUMMARY OF BILL: Enacts the “*Advocacy for Honest and Appropriate Government Spending Act*”. Creates an *Office of Advocacy for Honest and Appropriate Government Spending* which shall be under the authority of the Comptroller of the Treasury.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures – Exceeds \$400,000

Assumptions:

- The Comptroller will incur significant additional expenditures to provide staff, supplies, a location, and a website for such an office.
- The Comptroller will need at least 5 new positions at an estimated cost of \$290,000.
- There will be significant expenditures for marketing of the office to ensure public awareness of its existence.
- All state agencies will incur significant expenses to comply with the regulations and respond to an undetermined number of allegations. Such expenditures are estimated to be in excess of \$100,000.
- All state agencies will incur some expense for training relative to the provisions of this bill.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James W. White, Executive Director